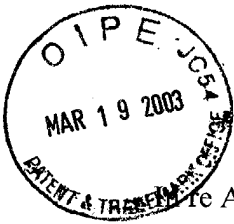


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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's communication of February 26, 2003, and in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.125(b), Applicants submit herewith a substitute specification and a marked-up copy of the previous version of the specification, showing the amendments made. The specification has been amended in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.821-1.825 so that every amino acid sequence at page 12 and in Tables 1 and 2 of the specification is accompanied by an appropriate SEQ ID NO identifier that corresponds with a sequence in the Sequence Listing. No new matter has been added by these amendments.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John W. Behringer". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

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